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FOR: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR  
ESTABLISHING A SECURE SMART  
CARD COMMUNICATION LINK  
THROUGH A COMMUNICATION  
NETWORK

Group Art Unit: 2131

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Dear Madam:

Applicants submit herewith references of which they are aware, which they believe may be material to patentability of the invention disclosed and claimed in the above-cited application and with respect to which there may be a duty to disclose in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.56.

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Respectfully submitted,

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